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A BILL FOR

1 An Act authorizing the use of crossbows by certain youth to
2 hunt deer.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 483A.8D Youth crossbow deer hunting
2 licenses.

3 1. A resident of this state who is at least twelve years of
4 age but under seventeen years of age may be issued one special
5 youth crossbow antlered or any sex deer hunting license to hunt
6 deer with a crossbow during bow season as established by rule
7 by the commission.

8 2. A person who obtains a license to hunt deer under this
9 section is required to have a hunting license, be otherwise
10 qualified to hunt deer in this state, pay the wildlife
11 habitat fee, and pay a one dollar fee that shall be used
12 and is appropriated for the purpose of deer herd population
13 management, including assisting with the cost of processing
14 deer donated to the help us stop hunger program administered
15 by the commission.

16 3. A person may obtain a deer hunting license under this
17 section in addition to any other deer hunting licenses for
18 which the person is eligible.

19 4. Season dates, shooting hours, limits, license quotas,
20 and other regulations for this license shall be the same as
21 established by the commission by rule for bow season deer
22 hunting.

23 EXPLANATION

24 This bill provides that a resident youth who is 12 through 16
25 years of age may be issued a special youth crossbow antlered
26 or any sex deer hunting license to hunt deer with a crossbow
27 during bow season as established by rule by the natural
28 resource commission. Generally, the use of a crossbow to hunt
29 deer is not allowed except for use by certain elderly and
30 disabled hunters.

31 A youth who obtains such a license must also purchase a
32 hunting license, pay the wildlife habitat fee, be otherwise
33 qualified to hunt deer in this state, and pay a fee that is
34 used and appropriated for the purpose of deer herd population
35 management, including assisting with the cost of processing

1 deer donated to the help us stop hunger program administered
2 by the commission.

3 A person who obtains a license pursuant to this provision
4 may obtain other deer hunting licenses for which the person is
5 eligible.

6 The season dates, shooting hours, limits, license quotas,
7 and other regulations for this license are the same as those in
8 effect for bow season deer hunting.